

Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1, line 6, with the following new paragraph.

RELATION TO PREVIOUSLY FILED APPLICATION

Priority is claimed from co-pending U.S. patent application serial no. 09/948,508 filed on 7 September 2001 entitled "Quasi-Three-Dimensional Method and Apparatus to Detect and Localize Interaction of User-object and Virtual Transfer Device", now U.S. Patent no. _____ (2004). Priority is further claimed from applicants' co-pending U.S. provisional patent application serial no. 60/287,115 filed on 27 April 2001 entitled "Input Methods Using Planar Range Sensors", from co-pending U.S. provisional patent application serial no. 60/272,120 filed on 27 February 2001 entitled "Vertical Triangulation System for a Virtual Touch-Sensitive Surface", and from co-pending U.S. provisional patent application serial no. 60/231,184 filed on 7 September 2000 entitled "Application of Image Processing Techniques for a Virtual Keyboard System". Further, this application is a continuation-in-part from co-pending U.S. patent application serial no. 09/502,499 filed on 11 February 2000 entitled "Method And Apparatus for Entering Data Using A Virtual Input Device". Each of said applications is incorporated herein by reference.